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Dear []

Recent problems with Navy facilities funding and support encountered by P & W were brought to the attention of Project Headquarters by [] on 16 February. Immediate steps were taken by Project Headquarters through special contacts in the Navy to resolve the problems. On 18 February an interim reply was passed on to [] stating that our Navy contact instructed Cdr. Jennings to do what he could locally to alleviate the problem. Further, the P & W letter endorsed by Cdr. Jennings and forwarded to the Navy will be located in Navy Headquarters and brought to Admiral Dodson's attention for action. It is hoped that Admiral Dodson can resolve the problem quickly, possibly by extending the facilities contract beyond this fiscal year. You will be advised accordingly.

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Meanwhile, though P & W properly tries in the first instance to solve its ancillary project problems, such as the foregoing, directly and without involving this Headquarters, it is suggested that P & W please endeavor to keep Project Headquarters abreast of developments from the onset particularly those which may have a bearing on the Project schedule in any way. In this manner, both P & W and Project Headquarters may be in a better position to anticipate problems and possibly head off potential trouble areas before a critical "boiling point" is reached.

Thank you for the briefings during our 8 February visit and orientation provided [redacted]

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